## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND SOUTHERN DIVISION

THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil Action No. 8:21-cv-00121-PWG

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH, et al.

Defendants.

## Request for Wavier of Courtesy Copies Requirement

Pursuant to the standing order issued by Chief Judge Bredar on June 18, 2020 regarding the submission of paper courtesy copies during the COVID-19 pandemic, undersigned counsel for Plaintiffs respectfully requests permission not to submit paper courtesy copies during the pandemic.

Plaintiffs' attorneys are employees of Plaintiff The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), a not-for-profit organization. As a result of the ongoing pandemic, HSUS' Washington, D.C. and Gaithersburg, Maryland offices are closed until at least April 1, 2021, and Plaintiffs' attorneys are working from home with limited access to printing equipment. Accordingly, preparing and submitting paper courtesy copies creates a burden for counsel that would not exist if they were able to work from their offices.

For these reasons, counsel respectfully requests permission not to file paper courtesy copies in this case during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dated: January 19, 2021

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Ralph E. Henry

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on January 19, 2021, Margaret Robinson served the foregoing

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